

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Resolution ALJ 176-3179
Administrative Law Judge Division
September 21, 2006

R E S O L U T I O N

RESOLUTION ALJ 176-3179. Preliminary determinations of category and need for hearing for proceedings initiated by application pursuant to Rule 2.1 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure.

Senate Bill (SB) 960 (Leonard, ch. 96-0856) requires, among other things, that the Commission categorize proceedings and determine the need for hearing for purposes of determining the applicable restrictions on ex parte communications and other applicable rules. The rules implementing these requirements are found, for the most part, in Articles 7 and 8 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure.

Rule 7.1(a) requires the Commission to preliminarily determine, for a proceeding initiated by application, the proceeding's category and whether the proceeding requires a hearing. The Commission has reviewed the initial pleading of the utility applicants and makes the preliminary determinations of category and need for hearing as shown in the attached Preliminary Determination Schedule, consistent with the requirements of Rule 7.1(a).

No public review or comment is required for this resolution pursuant to Rule 14.7.

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. The category and need for hearing for each proceeding initiated by application listed in the attached Schedule of Preliminary Determinations are preliminarily determined, as noted.
2. This resolution is effective today.

I certify that the foregoing resolution was duly introduced, passed, and adopted at a conference of the Public Utilities Commission of the State of California held on _____, 2006, the following Commissioners voting favorably thereon:

STEVE LARSON
Executive Director

PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION SCHEDULE

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NUMBER TITLE	PROPOSED CATEGORY	PRELIM. CATEGORY	HEARING
A06-09-006 GOLDEN STATE WATER COMPANY, for authority to Implement Changes in Ratesetting Mechanisms and Reallocation of Rates.	Ratesetting	Ratesetting	YES
A06-09-012 SONOMA COUNTY AIRPORT EXPRESS, INC., dba SONOMA COUNTY WINEHOPPER, for authority to operate as a scheduled transportation service between Sonoma County area hotels and local wineries; and to establish a Zone of Rate Freedom.	Ratesetting	Ratesetting	NO
A06-09-013 TANIMURA & ANTLE SUPPLY COMPANY, INC., YALE INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTS, INC., dba SPRECKELS WATER COMPANY, INC., Yale Industrial Products, Inc., (Yale) a Delaware Corporation, doing business as Spreckels Water Company (Spreckels), a Delaware corporation, to sell, and Tanimura & Antle Supply Company, Inc. (Tanimura), to buy the water system in Monterey County and for the following orders: (1) authorizing Yale to sell and transfer to Tanimura 100% of the ownership of the common stock of Spreckels; and, (2) authorizing Yale to withdraw from the water utility business of Spreckels; and, (3) authorizing Tanimura to engage in and carry on the water utility business of Spreckels.	Ratesetting	Ratesetting	NO
A06-09-014 ANDU D. MARIE, dba VALLEY EXPRESS SHUTTLE, to operate a passenger stage corporation between points in San Francisco, Alameda, Contra Costa, Santa Clara, Solano, Marin and San Mateo Counties and the San Francisco, Oakland and San Jose international airports and to establish a zone of rate freedom.	Ratesetting	Ratesetting	NO